Issue of licences and letters of intent for setting up electronic units in Maharashtra

*355. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of licences and letters of intent issued so far for setting up electronic units in Maharashtra;

(b) the names of places where the units have been set up or are proposed to be set up in Maharashtra; and

(c) what is the capacity of and investment on each unit?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) Details regarding Industrial Licences and Letters of Intent issued upto June 1984 for setting up electronics units in Maharashtra are given in the enclosed Annexure (See Appendix CXXXI, Annexure No. 42.]

(b) and (c) Details regarding location of the plants and the investments in these plants will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

Implementation of the 20-point programme in Jammu and Kashmir

*356. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the implementation of the 20-Point Programme in Jammu and Kashmir is unsatisfactory; and

(b) whether the Planning Commission has written to the Stat Government asking them to accelerate the pace of the implementation of the Programme?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Yes, Sir. Either as a percentage of the target or in comparison with the national average, the performance in a number of items has not been satisfactory

(b) Yes, Sir.

Import of magnesite sinter

*357. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

a) whether it is a fact that Government have to depend on import of large quantity of magnesite sinter to meet the domestic requirement;

(b) if so, the amount of foreign exchange thus spent during the last three years;

(c) whether magnesite reserves in the country are fully exploited for the manufacture of 'refractory bricks' an essential requirement for the steel industry; and

(d) If so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI N.K.P. SALVE): (a) The Silica content of indigenous magnesite is high and it is because of this that it cannot be used in special high quality refractories. Import of dead burnt magnesite (which is also termed as magnesite sinter) with silica content less than 4 per cent is, therefore, allowed under the Open General Licence. Import of dead burnt magnesite with silica content between 4 to 6 per cent is permitted under the automatic licensing scheme and import of dead burnt magnesite with more than 6 per cent silica is restricted.

(b) The amount spent on the import of dead burnt magnesite during 1979-80, 1980-81 and 1981-82 was as follows:—

1979-80	. . .	759.44
1980-81	. . .	460.66
1981-82	. . .	31.28